

Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
Application No. 10/750,898

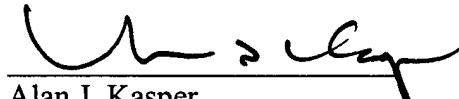
REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-15 are objected to because of their use of numbers for subparagraphs, which the Examiner considers to be confusing with main claim numbers. Applicant has amended claims 1 and 15 in order to change the numbers to lower case letters, consistent with the Examiner's suggestion. Claim 6 has been amended to delete the numbers.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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